

Chief, Fiscal Division

21 November 1950

Chief, [REDACTED]

Travel Accommodations for [REDACTED] and Family from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED]

1. According to the Transportation Branch, Services Division, [REDACTED] and family pursuant to official order will travel from [REDACTED] via plane according to the following schedule:

Leave [REDACTED] via [REDACTED] - 1032 - 5 December 1950  
Arrive [REDACTED] 1900 - 5 December 1950

Leave [REDACTED] 0700 - 6 December 1950  
Arrive [REDACTED] 1135 - 6 December 1950

Leave [REDACTED] 1230 - 6 December 1950  
Arrive [REDACTED] 1615 - 6 December 1950

2. [REDACTED] feels strongly that in view of the flights of approximately nine hours each on succeeding days he should be furnished an individual seat for his ten months old child.

3. The Transportation Branch, Services Division, has advised [REDACTED] and this office that it considers the individual seat for the child both necessary and allowable and that whether or not it is actually furnished is a matter which the Agency has authority to determine administratively.

4. Unquestionably the two nine-hour flights on succeeding days with a small child is a tiresome trip, especially if it is necessary to hold the child in one's arms for the entire trip.

5. [REDACTED] does not desire to contest whatever decision is finally made in this matter but requests that the maximum allowable accommodations be provided for [REDACTED] and his family.

6. It is not considered appropriate, as has been suggested, that [REDACTED] be provided the extra seat with the understanding that Fiscal Division disapproves and with the likelihood that he may be requested to make reimbursement.

7. In view of the fact that this question is likely to arise again in connection with official travel of other [REDACTED] employees and that a

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difference of opinion exists between the Transportation Branch and the Fiscal Division which results in the traveler unavoidably gaining the impression that the Agency is denying him travel accommodations to which he is entitled, it is requested that this matter be presented to the Executive for a policy decision which would settle this case with finality and serve as guidance for future cases that may arise.

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